

Sensing Divinity/Les sens du rite

An international, interdisciplinary conference

23-24 June 2017, British School at Rome and the École française de Rome

Organisers: Mark Bradley (University of Nottingham), Béatrice Caseau (Université Paris Sorbonne - Paris IV), Adeline Grand-Clément (Toulouse Jean-Jaurès/IUF), Anne-Caroline Rendu-Loisel (Toulouse Jean Jaurès), Alexandre Vincent (University of Poitiers)

23th June (BSR, Sainsbury Lecture Theatre, Via A. Gramsci 61, 00197 Rome)

9.30. Introduction: Mark Bradley (University of Nottingham) and Adeline Grand-Clément (Toulouse Jean-Jaurès/IUF)

Panel 1: Tracking incense in the ancient Mediterranean

Chair: Lorenzo Verderame (La Sapienza)

10.00. Jo Day (University College Dublin), 'Burning botanicals: incense in the Aegean Bronze Age'

10.30. Elisabeth Dodinet (CNRS Toulouse), 'L'encens... un singulier pluriel: Les identifications produites par les analyses organiques en Méditerranée et au Levant de l'âge du Bronze'

11.00. Coffee break

11.30. Julie Masquelier-Loorius (CNRS - University Paris-Sorbonne Paris IV) and Pierre Tallet ((University Paris-Sorbonne Paris IV), 'L'encens en Égypte ancienne : identification, approvisionnement et place dans le culte'

12.00. Kiersten Neumann (University of Chicago), 'From raw to ritualized: following the trail of incense of the Assyrian Temple'

12.30. Federico De Romanis (University of Rome, Tor Vergata), 'Tus. L'incenso sudarabico nell'Occidente romano'

13.00-14.00. Lunch

Panel 2: Frankincense and the ancient imagination

Chair: Béatrice Caseau (Université Paris Sorbonne - Paris IV)

14.00. Giuseppe Squillace (University of Calabria), 'Incenso e mirra negli scritti di botanica di Teofrasto: metodo di ricerca e fonti di informazione'

14.30. Véronique Mehl (University of Bretagne Sud), 'L'encens et le divin: le matériel et l'immatériel en Grèce ancienne'

15.00 Thea Lawrence (University of Nottingham), 'Incense, perfume, incest and (im)pietas: myrrh, religion and gender in the Roman world'

15.30. Tea

16.00-17.00. Incense demonstrations (BSR cortile)

17.00. Free time

18.15-19.15. Keynote lecture, Esther Eidinow (University of Nottingham) 'Sensing divinity?'

19.15-20.00. Prosecco.

20.00-22.00. Conference dinner (BSR).

24th June (EFR, Piazza Navona 62, 00186 Roma)

Panel 3: Incense and ritual

Chair: Alexandre Vincent (University of Poitiers)

9.30. Aynur Michèle Sara Karatas (University of Bristol), 'Incense offering to Greek deities: analysis of epigraphic material providing evidence for incense offering in cultic context'

10.00. Stefano Caneva (University of Padova), 'Incense in the Hellenistic ruler cult'

10.30. Coffee Break

11.00. Valérie Huet (University of Bretagne Occidentale), 'L'encens dans les rites romains: à propos de quelques images du monde romain'

11.30. Marie-Odile Charles-Laforge (University of Artois), 'Rites et offrandes dans la religion domestique des Romains: quels témoignages sur l'utilisation de l'encens?'

12.00. Béatrice Caseau (Université Paris Sorbonne - Paris IV), 'Early Christian rejection of incense sacrifice'

13.00-14.00 Lunch.

Panel 4: Incense and multisensoriality

Chair: Anne-Caroline Rendu-Loisel (Toulouse Jean Jaurès)

14.00. Britta Ager (Vassar College), 'Beyond burning: wearing, eating, compounding, and worshipping incense in the Magical Papyri'

14.30. Sarah Bond (University of Iowa), '"Incense for nightfall": incense, dreams and domestic religion in Imperial Rome'

15.00. Emma-Jayne Graham (The Open University), 'The tactility of religious scent'

15.30. Tea Break

16.00. Francesco Buè (DAAD Post-doctoral Fellow, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin), '"Tura...sonant et odorant aëra fumis" : Incenso e suoni nell'immaginario antico'

16.30. Élodie Dupey García (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México), 'Immaterial offerings in Pre-Columbian rituals: aroma and music for the Nahuatl divinities'

17.00. Concluding remarks